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Versatile Guitarist/Singer/Songwriter is Guest for Valley House Concert Series Finale includes optional tour of unique Hines Hill Campus architecture

Brecksville, Ohio – On Sunday, May 19, 2013, Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) and the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park will host their monthly House Concert featuring former CVNP Artist-in-Residence Ed Caner who serves as both musician and host. The series, which occurs on the third Sunday of every month through May, highlights local guest performers and different styles of music in the intimate setting of a restored bank barn, on the Hines Hill Campus. The concert start at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Admission: \$8 adults, \$6 Conservancy members. Advance sales are recommended and are available by calling 330-657-2909. Seating is limited. Facility is not wheelchair accessible. For updated ticket availability information, call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636, ext. 228. The hotline is updated at 2 p.m. the day of every concert and is intended to inform callers of sold-out events or weather-related cancellations.

Violinist/Fiddler Ed Caner has been labeled by the Cleveland *Plain Dealer* as, "One of the most versatile musicians on the planet." During the past 15 years, he has performed as a sideman for over 50 major acts, as a soloist for over 750 major shows, and served as interim Concertmaster of the Wheeling Symphony Orchestra and performed as section violinist with The Cleveland Chamber Symphony, Cleveland Ballet, and Cleveland Opera Orchestra. Most recently, he is a founding member of the band *Hey Mavis*.

Joining Ed this month will be the immensely talented singer/songwriter Todd Burge. Over the last two decades, he has played everything from Alternative Rock to Bluegrass, performing over 100 shows per year in venues as diverse as The Country Music Hall of Fame and the Kennedy Center. Todd is a repeat guest on National Public Radio's Mountain Stage and has been called the "dean of WV songwriters, the best we have", by host Larry Groce. He has performed and toured with Tim O'Brien, Kathy Mattea, Lucinda Williams, Bela Fleck, Ricky Skaggs, and many others.

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Park Ranger Karen Kopchak will host a guided walk of the Hines Hill grounds and facilities. Learn about the components of the property including the many unique architectural features as well as the Gioia Family who once lived there. The tour, which does not require a concert ticket, is open to all visitors, and begins at 5:30 p.m. Visitors who are staying for the concert are encouraged to pack a picnic to enjoy between the tour and concert.

Hines Hill Conference Center is located at 1403 West Hines Hill Road, Peninsula 44264. This is approximately one mile east of Riverview Road.

CVNP encompasses 33,000 acres along the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Akron, Ohio. Managed by the National Park Service, CVNP combines cultural, historical, recreational, and natural activities in one setting. For more information visit www.nps.gov/cuva or call 330-657-2752.

The Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park is a nonprofit organization created to engage public support for the park and provide services to enhance public use and enjoyment of the park. For more information about the Conservancy and its membership program, visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org or call 330-657-2909.

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